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WHEREAS, we, Philip R. Kwok, 7 Apollo Avenue, West Pymble, New South Wales 2073, Australia; and Robert E. Styles, 35 Linksley Avenue, Glenhaven, New South Wales 2156, Australia; have made a certain new and useful invention relating to a NASAL MASK AND MASK CUSHION THEREFOR for which we have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, which application may be identified in the United States Patent Office as Application Serial No. 08/791,212, filed on January 31, 1997, for A NASAL MASK AND MASK CUSHION THEREFOR; and

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20 May, 1997

Philip R. Kwok

20 May, 1997

Robert E. Styles

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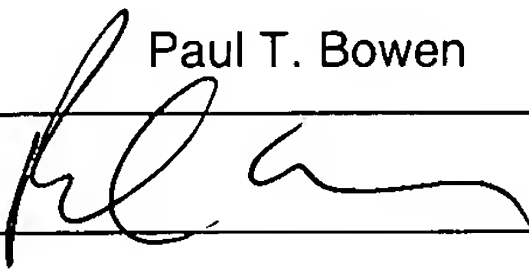
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